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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Per 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) and in connection with the Office Action mailed on WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 2003, Applicant respectfully petitions Commissioner for a three (3) month extension of time, extending the period for response to THURSDAY, AUGUST 21, 2003. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment to Deposit Account No. 02-2666 in the amount of \$930.00 to cover the petition filing fee for a 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(3) large entity. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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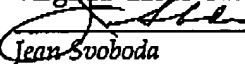
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